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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

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S i r :

In response to the interview summary mailed August 3, 2010 concerning the telephone interview conducted July 20, 2010, Counsel has no reason to doubt the examiner's near-contemporaneously recorded recollection of the examiner's position at the interview, although at this late date all counsel remembers is that the examiner pointed out that there were differences between structures 1 and 2 of Fig. 30, and Feuston 3 and 5 as set forth in the Feuston 3 and 5 article.

The election with traverse filed on even date herewith details the nature of the differences and specifies precisely what is being elected.

The examiner's statement that "At best, Feuston compound 5 comprises beta alanine rather than aspartic acid" must be placed in context.

Beta alanine would be $\text{NH}_2\text{-CH}_2\text{-CH}_2\text{-COOH}$, i.e., the amino group attached to the beta carbon.

Aspartic acid in contrast is $\text{NH}_2\text{-CH}(\text{-CH}_2\text{COOH})\text{-COOH}$.

Feuston's "Fesuson 5" indeed comprises, as a terminal entity, a beta-alanine. However, it is equally clear that our "Feuston 5" (as depicted in Figure 30 structure 2) comprises aspartic acid rather than beta alanine.

With regard to the examiner's other point --whether it is derivatized on the piperidinyl nitrogen-- it appears to us that both our Feuston 5 (Fig. 30 structure 2) and Feuston's Feuston 5 feature underivatized piperidine (that being the saturated heterocyclic ring).

We think the source of confusion is that when our Feuston 3 (Fig. 30 structure 1) is compared with Feuston's Feuston 3, it is found that in our Feuston 3, the piperidinyl nitrogen is derivatized, whereas in Feuston's Feuston 3, it is not.

Respectfully submitted,

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